



W.P(MD)No.30154 of 2023

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED : 19.12.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

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S.Vinayagamani

... Petitioner

Vs.

1.The Assistant Director of Panchayat,
Madurai District,
Madurai.

2.The Block Development Officer,
(Grama Panchayat)
Madurai East Panchayat Union,
Madurai District.

3.V.Alaguraja

4.P.Vellaisamy

... Respondents

Prayer : Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, praying this Court to issue a Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondent 1 and 2 to furnish the copy of Building permission granted by the 4th respondent in his proceeding No.1/2023 dated 05.09.2023 along with the copy of the Plan by considering the petitioner's representation dated 15.09.2023 within time stipulated by this Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Mahendran

For Respondents : Mr.V.Nirmal Kumar
Government Advocate for R1 & R2



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ORDER

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate for R1 & R2. Issuance of notice to R3 & R4 is dispensed with.

2. The petitioner seeks copy of the building planning permission granted by the fourth respondent in favour of the third respondent along with the copy of the relevant proceedings. The petitioner is afterall invoking his right available under Right to Information Act, 2005. It has been held that right to information is a fundamental right. The proceedings sought for by the petitioner are not having any bearing on the privacy rights of any person. Therefore, the second respondent is directed to furnish the copy of the planning approval / building permission together with the relevant proceedings. This shall be done by the second respondent within a period of three weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

3. The Writ Petition is allowed. No costs.

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